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Mr. Dale N. Hatfield Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Room 7-C155 Washington, D.C. 20554

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RE: Final Service Disruption Report

Dear Mr. Hatfield:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Commission's Order in CC Docket 91-273, released February 27, 1992, BellSouth Telecommunications, Incorporated submits a Final Service Disruption Report for a service outage that occurred on June 24, 2000.

The attached final report completes our response on the June 24, 2000 outage. It includes an update of the information previously provided in the 72-Hour Service Disruption Report that was sent to the Commission's Watch Office on the June 27, 2000.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely.

Ben G. Almond

Vice President-Federal Regulatory

Attachment

cc: Robert Kimball

#### FINAL SERVICE DISRUPTION REPORT

This Final Service Disruption report is filed by BellSouth Telecommunications Inc., in accordance with both the First and Second Report and Order Amendment of Part 63.100 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules. A 72-hour Initial Service Disruption Report for this June 24,2000 outage in Delray Beach, Florida was filed with the FCC Watch Officer on June 27, 2000.

#### GEOGRAPHIC AREA AFFECTED:

The Delray Beach 1AESS Central Office serves as a local switch for the business and residential communities in the greater metropolitan area of Miami, Florida in LATA 460.

#### **DURATION OF OUTAGE:**

The outage began at 11:45:18 PM EDT on June 24,2000 and concluded at 02:59:24 AM EDT for a total duration of 3 hours 14 minutes 6 seconds.

### **ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS AFFECTED:**

Approximately 48,191 customers served by the Delray Beach switch may have been impacted during this service disruption.

#### TYPES OF SERVICE AFFECTED:

Intra-office, Inter-office, Intra-LATA, Inter-LATA, and 911 service were impacted during this outage.

#### ESTIMATED NUMBER OF BLOCKED CALLS:

Approximately 21,098 calls were blocked during this outage.

#### APPARENT OR KNOWN CAUSE OF THE INCIDENT:

A hardware failure in one of the system's memory units (Program Store 0) caused the loss of a functional processor configuration.

#### ROOT CAUSE:

#### Hardware Failure

The nature of the failure resulted in noise on the program store community buses preventing both processors from communicating with the system's program stores.

#### METHODS USED TO RESTORE SERVICE:

At 11:45 PM EDT, BellSouth initiated restoral efforts and notifications were made to essential personnel. Since the system would not respond to remote recovery efforts, personnel had to be dispatched for on-site assistance. When site personnel arrived, recovery efforts involved manually selecting specific system configurations with various processor units manually powered down. At approximately 2:59 AM EDT, power was manually removed from Program Store 0 and the office restored to service.

#### STEPS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE:

Program Store 0 was repaired with replacement circuit packs and all involved packs, as well as failure data, were forwarded to the vendor for analysis.

# EVALUATION OF EFFECTIVENESS AND APPLICATION OF NRC RECOMMENDATIONS AND BEST PRACTICES

BellSouth reviewed Section C, "Software and Switching System Reliability" of the Network Reliability Compendium where it describes this type service interruption and followed recommendations noted specifically under Paragraph 5.3 "Hardware" and 5.3.3 "Hardware Recommendations". There it is noted that the service provider should communicate the incident with their system supplier for additional root cause analysis.

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## SERVICE DISRUPTION

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